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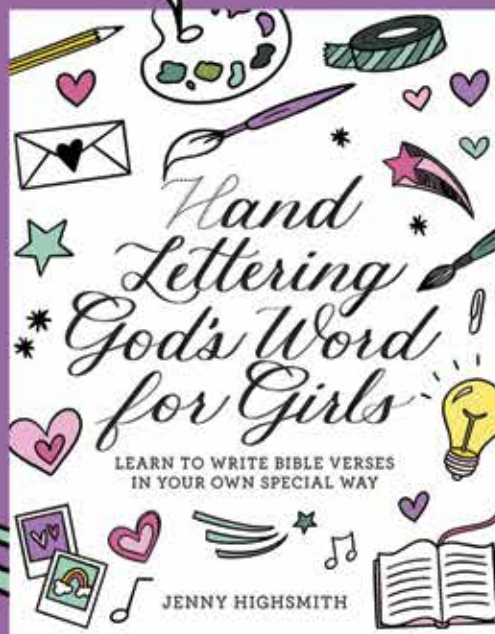
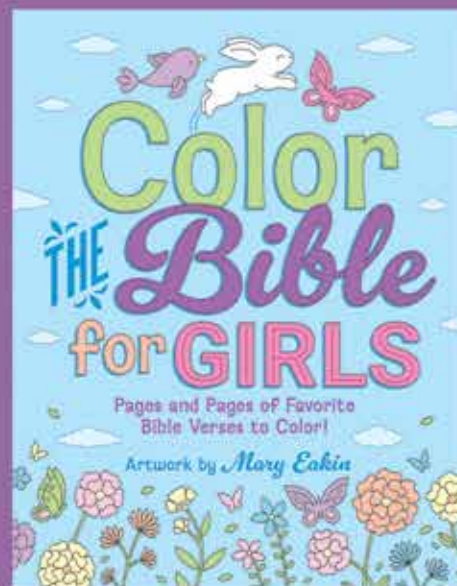
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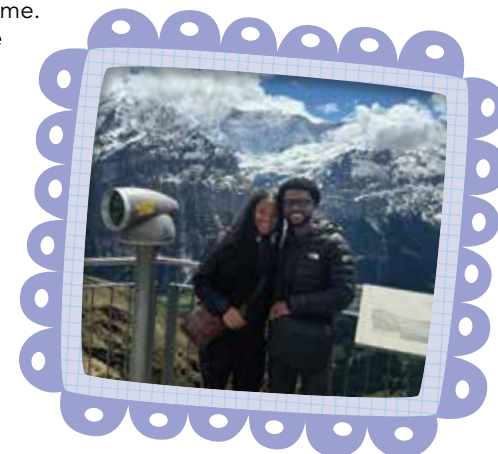


"Delight yourself in the Lord, and He will give you the desires of your heart."

PSALM 37:4

Did you know that God cares more about your dreams and desires than you do? That's right. The quiet hopes that you hide deep in your heart—God already knows about them. That's because He's the one who placed those hopes there!

This summer, I've gotten to see that God cares about my quiet hopes. Some of my entrepreneurial interests are related to travel and adventure. I love the risk and excitement of going to new places and exploring God's creation. God knows this about me, and He was kind enough to line up a full summer of international travel for me. From amazing parts of Europe like Switzerland and Italy to Australia and all the way to TANZANIA, I've gotten to explore the world over the past eight weeks! God's plan for my summer was much better than anything I could have planned for myself.



While in Switzerland, we visited Jungfrauoch, at a viewing spot that is known as the "Top of Europe!"

In Jeremiah 29:11, God makes a promise to His people that He has a plan for them. That same promise applies to us, and His plans are ones of hope and a future. **When we partner alongside God and surrender our wants, the desires of our hearts become His desires.** Whether you hope to own a business one day or travel the world sharing about Jesus, or maybe you're not quite sure what you hope for, remember that God has a plan for you. Lean into Him and watch as He leads you day by day.

Get excited, friend! God's plans for you are GOOD and filled with hope!

Alena

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A Painted Psalm



I love summer because I get to do so many things like vacations, camp, and spend time with my cousins! I try to always do my best and put my all into everything I do to glorify God. I chose to create this watercolor painting because I wanted to make something that reminded me of summer and had a great Bible verse about part of God's miraculous creation. Another verse that helps me through hard times is Deuteronomy 6:5. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. This verse is special because even when you are busy with school, sports, summer activities, and vacations, it tells you to pour everything you have into God.

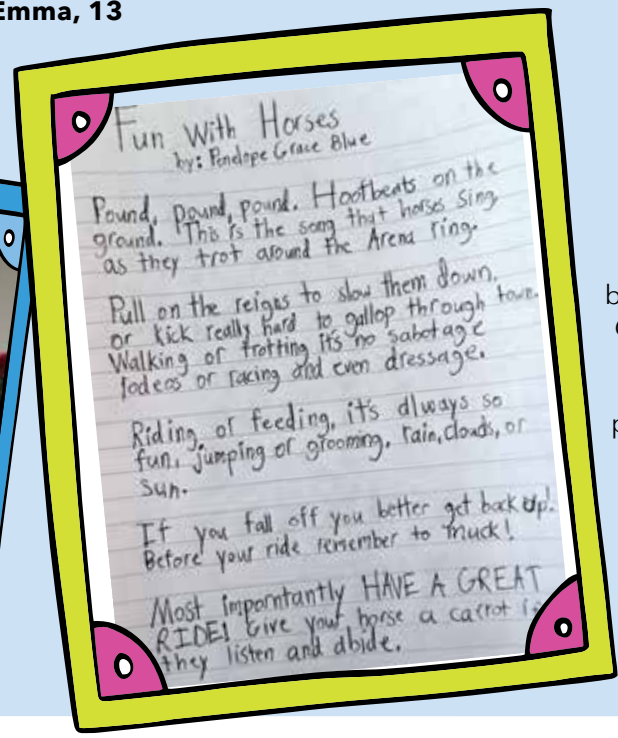
Emma, 13



Woven with Love

I'm a homeschooler. This year I learned how to make friendship bracelets with my friends. I have a lot of hobbies like singing and playing piano, but making friendship bracelets is definitely at the top of my list!

Madelyn, 9



Reins and Rhymes

This photo is from my 10th birthday party—in my Anne of Green Gables puffed-sleeve dress! I really enjoy riding horses, and I love writing poems! This is a combination of both. I hope you enjoy it and learn something about riding horses!

Penny, 10



Growing Something Beautiful!

My hobbies are playing the piano, art, going to children's church, playing with my cat Joey, and spending time with my family! My photo is me holding my stuffy friend Stilts, after passing my last piano test with my trophy! And the picture I drew is called "God's Garden in Me," and it's me growing in God's beautiful garden. The flower hearts are God's presence. Each day, He surrounds and keeps me safe, protected, and loved!

Faith, 11

A Prayer for Summer

It's very exciting to share with **FOR GIRLS LIKE YOU**. I love my tuxedo cat Thirly and love to play outside with her on summer days. I also have two younger brothers. I like to swim with them in our pool in hot weather. I also enjoy reading and exploring nature in our backyard. I hope you all have a blast this summer!

Tia, 13



Showers of Blessings

I love **FOR GIRLS LIKE YOU**! I love to paint! To paint this, I used watercolor pencils and oil pastels. It is called "Rain Kisses Petals." I painted it because it shows beauty even after the storm. I hope it shows that even after a hard time, there is still hope.

Grace, 13



Up Above Down Under!

We have lots of black cockatoos here in Australia, like the one in this drawing. I mostly see red-tailed ones. I did this drawing because recently my family and I were just sitting around, and we heard all this noise. We went outside to see all these black cockatoos flying from one tree to another over and over again! It turned out they were migrating up the coast, while making a lot of noise. I am amazed at God's beautiful creations.

Esther, 10



Paper 'N Trees

I wanted to show you this paper model I made. I started out thinking of making just a small patch of meadow with grass, a tree and a flower, but then it felt like it needed more, so this is what I came up with! My favorite part is the aspen. (Even though the leaves are completely unrealistic!)

Thank you for letting me share my creation.

I love your magazine!

Naomi, 13



Grandma and Me

Superhero Muffin Baking! My grandma and I made these together. She is really good at baking. They have carrots, zucchini, raisins, butterscotch, and chocolate chips. I love chocolate chips! It was pretty messy, but we made something really good and healthy.

Paulina Joan, 8



Everything Is Beautiful

I love art! I wanted to capture a vibrant sunset, summer night breeze, and my favorite thing to do—spotting glowing fireflies! This was my inspiration to create my acrylic on canvas painting titled "A Romantic Sunset." I want to passionately emphasize to every girl to share her God-given gifts and talents, such as art, singing, and kindness. Remember, God shows His love to you by placing beauty in the world!

Erin, 12



Summer Sun Love

I love to do art. One of my favorite types of art is watercolor painting. It is so fun to do. I made this piece of art because I LOVE dogs and sunsets. My favorite thing to do in summer is swim, hang out on the beach, and just be outside.

Madison, 13

GOD'S girl

DEVOTIONALS & MORE TO GROW YOUR FAITH

WYNTER'S WORDS



I AM FULL OF DREAMS

"I know what I have planned for you," says the LORD. "I have plans to prosper you, not to harm you. I have plans to give you a future filled with hope."

JEREMIAH 29:11

Have you ever told someone about something you wanted to do one day and the response you got was "Well, that's a pretty big dream. Maybe you should try for a smaller goal."

nothing stopping you. You can put your trust in Him, and He will accomplish great things through you.

When I was a little girl, that happened to me. The dreams God gave me as a little girl were really big, and dreaming big dreams was not normal for a girl coming from where I came from. There were so many things that could easily keep me from reaching my dreams.

One of the main voices trying to stop me from dreaming was who the Bible calls "the accuser." He was really good at trying to plant little lies in my head, but his lies weren't big enough to stop me from the dreams that Jesus planted in my heart. My two biggest dreams were to one day write and to have a family, and God blessed me with both.

Here is the good news—when your hopes and dreams line up with God's plans for you, there's

It's important to understand that your hopes and dreams are all about God. Everything you do can honor Him, and everything you do can be a way of sharing God's love with others. God gave you the ability to do those things, and everything points back to Him.

If God has placed goals and desires in your heart, He has put them there for a reason, so don't be discouraged if someone tries to tell you that your dreams are too big. Nothing is impossible with God! When God created you, He gave you special gifts and talents and things to do. No one else is like you—and no one else has exactly the same set of dreams and goals you have.

You can always trust in God to fulfill your dreams for His glory and for His purposes in your life!

From *I Am Yours* by Wynter Pitts.
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FOR WITH
GOD
nothing
SHALL BE
Impossible
LUKE 1:37

DEAR God,

It can be easy to give up on something when I'm told I can't do it or that my goal is too big. Please help me not to get discouraged when that happens. You placed dreams and hopes in me for a reason—so that my life will point to You and bring You glory. You want me to dream big, and You want to help me reach those goals because they will serve Your purpose in my life. Please give me the strength to never give up. Thank You for being my number one fan and cheerleader!
In Jesus' name—AMEN



I AM ROONEY CRUZ
11 years old
Funny. Adventurous. Kind.



Hanging around with Illa, Roxy, Scout, Me, Mom and Nyomi!



Dad's is my biggest fan at hockey games!



Our family loves all kinds of outdoor adventures!



I have created many businesses and sell my products at local events!



We live in beautiful Montana!

A GIRL LIKE YOU

Do you know how your name was chosen? I was named after Principal Edward R. Rooney from the movie *Ferris Bueller's Day Off*. My middle name, Cruz, means "cross" in Spanish!

Tell us about your family. My dad is my identical twin and partner in crime. All of my little sisters are feral. My mom is the best. We live in Montana.

Tell us about your pets! We have a hobby farm. I have 18 animals—11 chickens, four goats, two barn cats, and a dog. I am responsible for all of them, including milking the goats.

What are your favorite hobbies? Being a survivalist, making forts, reading, hockey, snowboarding, skateboarding.

What do you want to do or be when you grow up? A pro hockey player, pro skateboarder, entrepreneur, and missionary.

Tell us about a time when you felt God's presence strongly. My mom was in a very bad ski accident where she fractured her skull and two vertebrae. It was very scary, but I felt God with me.

What is something that nobody would ever guess about you? I am double-jointed, and I can make really weird noises.

What is the last thing that made you laugh really hard? One of my baby goats learning to walk and falling over.

What has God been showing or teaching you lately? That even though hard and scary things happen, He's still there with me.

What is one of the coolest things you have ever done? Eating guinea pig in Peru!

Who is someone you look up to and admire? Hillary Knight, the captain of the USA Women's Hockey Team, and Elisabeth Elliot.

What Bible story do you like most and why? The Story of Creation. It gives you an understanding of how powerful God is. There was nothing, and then He spoke the world into existence. How cool is that?!

FIVE FUN FACTS ABOUT ME!

1. I have been to five countries.
2. I can fit 14 regular-sized marshmallows into my mouth.
3. I have a trading account.
4. I am birthday buddies with Dr Seuss.
5. I love Elvis!

STILL ENTREPRENEURING

We met 7-year-old Rooney in our first Entrepreneurs Issue back in 2021 as she launched her Ho Ho Snow Globes company—and then as the cover girl of our May/June 2022 Summer Adventure Issue. And her entrepreneuring and adventuring are still going strong.

You can read more about Rooney's kidpreneur ventures in the new issue of the **FOR GIRLS LIKE YOU CLUB Weekly Devotional!** Not a member yet? See the back page of this issue for how you can join in on the fun!



FAVORITES!

Color: Blue

Song: "Here with Me" by Marshmello

Movie: *The Girl Who Believed in Miracles*

Book: *The Britfield Series* by C.R. Stewart

Food: Sushi

Thing To Wear: Pajamas

Bible Verse: Isaiah 41:10

"Do not fear for I am with you. Do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."



Boss: What are you doing?
Employee: I'm doing what you told me to do.
Boss: I didn't tell you anything!
Employee: And that's why I'm not doing anything.

KNOCK, KNOCK.
 Who's there?

ICE CREAM SODA.
 Ice cream soda, who?

Ice cream soda people can hear me!

What does a nosy pepper do?

It gets jalapeño business!

GRANDPA: What does "IDK" mean?

ME: I don't know.

GRANDPA: Ugh!

Nobody does!

DID YOU HEAR ABOUT the guy who invented the knock-knock joke?

He won the "no-bell" prize!

My boss told me to stop acting like a flamingo, so I had to put my foot down.

A man came by my house today ASKING FOR DONATIONS for the new town swimming pool.

I gave him a glass.

TEACHER: If you had one dollar and you asked your dad for another, how many dollars would you have?

ELIZA: One.

TEACHER: You don't know your math.

ELIZA: You don't know my dad!

What do you call a duck that gets out the A's?

A wise quacker!

What did people say when the inventor of the Dry-Erase Board SHOWED OFF HIS NEW CREATION?

That's remarkable!

WHAT IS BETTER THAN A BEEHIVE?

An A-hive!

WHAT KIND OF shoes do all spies wear?

Sneakers.

I KEEP TRYING TO START a hot air balloon business, but it just doesn't take off.

SEND US YOUR FAVORITE LOLS! What jokes make you laugh? Have a great riddle to stump us? Have you drawn a cartoon you'd like to share? Anything funny at all—we want to hear from you! Email LOL@forgirlslikeyou.com!



TRUE girl

WITH **SHANI MCKENZIE**

PURPLE POWER

Work willingly at whatever you do, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people.

COLOSSIANS 3:23

Have you ever dreamed of starting your own business? Maybe you sell handmade bracelets to your friends or bake cupcakes for neighbors. If so, guess what? You're already walking in the footsteps of a Bible businesswoman named Lydia—and that makes you a *kidpreneur* with a purpose!

Lydia wasn't just any woman in the Bible. She was a smart and strong business leader who sold purple cloth—a super fancy fabric in Bible times. It was so special that only the rich could afford it! But Lydia didn't just focus on money or popularity. The Bible says she *worshiped* God and listened closely when Paul preached about Jesus (Acts 16). Her heart was open, and God used her business to help the early Church grow.

Whether you've already started a business or you're thinking about it, there are a few things that you can learn from Lydia.

1. You Can Be Young AND Wise

Lydia was respected because she was wise with her work and her heart. You might be young, but your ideas—and your faith—are powerful!

2. Use Your Gifts for Good

Do you love to draw? Code? Bake? God gave you those talents on purpose. Like Lydia, you can use your business skills to bless others and point them to Jesus.

3. People Matter More Than Profits

Lydia opened her home to believers. She cared about people

more than just her purple cloth. A girl *kidpreneur* like you can build a business that shares kindness, not just products.

The same God Who gave you the idea for that lemonade stand is the same God Who empowers you to share His love with everyone who buys a drink. Ask Him to guide your ideas and your heart. Talk to a trusted adult about ways you can turn your creativity into something that honors Him.

Whether it's slime, stickers, or snacks, when you follow Lydia's example, you're not just building a business—you're building God's Kingdom!

Go *kidpreneur*! Share your gift and spread God's joy.



TrueGirl

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Dreamers & DOERS

**KINSLEY AND HER
ENTREPRENEURIAL
FAMILY CREATE
THEIR OWN
ADVENTURES TO
MAKE THEIR DREAMS
COME TRUE!**

A Note From Mom

I have the joy of being Kinsley's mom! We have four kids: **Kinsley**, **Kannon**, **Lucy**, and Baby **Jayden**. Kinsley is the oldest sister who adores all her siblings. She is very helpful, thoughtful, and brings a lot of fun to our family! She and her brother Kannon are always making up games, throwing a ball around, and laughing.

One time, when they were 4 and 2, they shared a bedroom (the only time they ever shared a bedroom!) and snuck downstairs while their dad and I were napping. They got a screwdriver to open the attic door in their closet and went exploring!

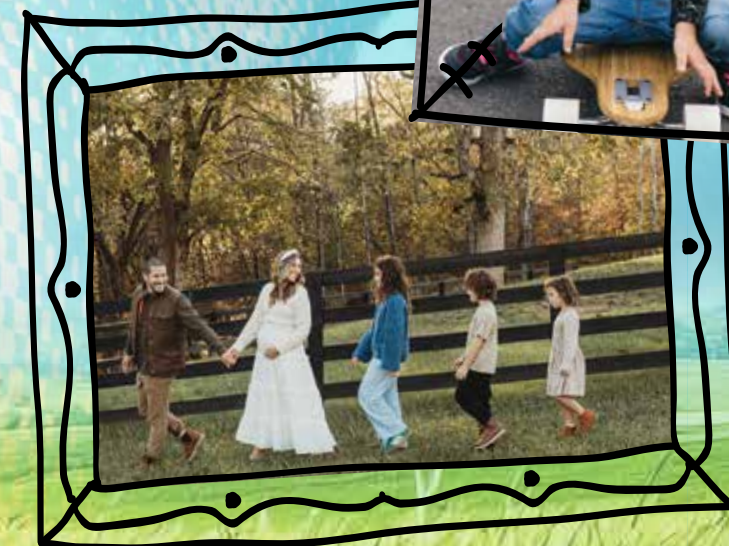
She and her sister Lucy love swimming, watching movies, and playing with any animal. Once when their dad was on a work trip for a month, I had the crazy idea of taking all three kids to the animal shelter and having each one pick out a kitten. Kinsley tried to give one a haircut, and I caught Lucy making a zipline for the other one!

Our family has a lot of fun and goes on many adventures! Oh, and we lived in Hawaii for 10 years. Our kids grew up going to the beach all the time, swimming, snorkeling, and cliff jumping.

Kinsley is such a joy to us! She is smart, athletic, thoughtful, and creative. She helped me give birth to our son Jayden in our front yard! She is always up for an adventure, whether it be camping, fishing, roller coasters, skiing, horseback riding, or tubing at the lake.

I hope you enjoy getting to know Kinsley, and can dream alongside her, and be brave with her. God has given us all a Spirit of power, love, and a sound mind, and has good things for us to do with His courage and might.

—Alyssa Bethke





MEET
KINSLEY JOY, 11
Sporty.
Thankful. Kind.

MY NAME

Kinsley means *king's meadow or pasture*. My parents loved the idea that my whole life would be a place where King Jesus lives and where others may find the peace and Joy of the Lord when they are around me.

MY FAMILY

I have three siblings. I'm the oldest, and I love being the oldest. My mom and dad both write books for a living. We live in Franklin, Tennessee.

MY PET

We have a dog named Charlie. He's an English cream golden retriever. He's really fun and sometimes really crazy.

MY FAVORITE HOBBIES

Collecting sports cards and reading.

WHEN I GROW UP, I WANT TO BE

A professional athlete.

I FEEL GOD'S PRESENCE STRONGLY WHEN

After I fight with my siblings, my heart feels sorry, and I feel love for them.

THIS YEAR, I'M EXCITED ABOUT

Going to Disney World and 30A with my family.

NO ONE WOULD EVER GUESS THAT

I love reading.

THE LAST TIME I LAUGHED

When my babysitter Kate played "Sail the Seven Seas" with me. I laughed so hard! (It's a tickling game.)

IF I COULD VISIT ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD

It would be Colorado.

GOD HAS BEEN TEACHING ME

To share with my siblings.

ONE TWO! OF THE COOLEST THINGS I'VE DONE!

1. Meeting cool professional athletes who have read my dad's book.
2. My mom and dad woke me up at 4 am so I could go to the hospital with them to help my baby brother be born. While we were getting in the car, my mom began to have him right in that instant! My dad told me to run with him to our neighbor's house, who is a doctor, and he called 911, then gave me the phone so he could talk to our neighbor. The 911 lady told me to run back to my mom so she could help her and check on the baby. I ran back in pitch-black darkness in our street, and when I got there, my mom and grandma were lying there in the grass with baby Jayden. It was one of the favorite moments of my life.

I ADMIRE

My dad—because he loves God and is really good at sports.

MY FAVORITE BIBLE STORY IS

David and Goliath. Because David stands up to Goliath and believes in God.



The Great Outdoors!



I love hanging out with my brothers!



Charlie is the cutest!



5 FUN FACTS about me!

1. I had to get 12 stitches in my foot once because I cut it open really badly on some glass, and I have a huge scar.
2. My girls' basketball team won the county championship when I was 10 years old.
3. I love to surf.
4. I used to live in Maui.
5. I'm really good at football.



Our whole family loves sports!



I love everything about the beach!

FAVORITES!

Color: Blue

Song: "Fast Car" by Luke Combs

Movie: Avengers Civil War

Book: The Football Series by Tim Green

Food: Sushi

Joke: Why should buffalos not work at the bank? *Because they charge too much!*

Things to Wear: Basketball shorts and a t-shirt

Bible Verse: Psalm 23

"The Lord is my shepherd. I lack nothing..."

FUN IFs!

If you had a time machine, where would you go? The Civil War era

If you had a million dollars, what would you buy? Give it to people who need it

If you could have a superpower, what would it be? Speed

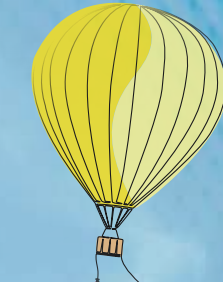
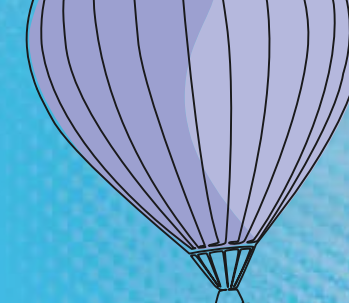
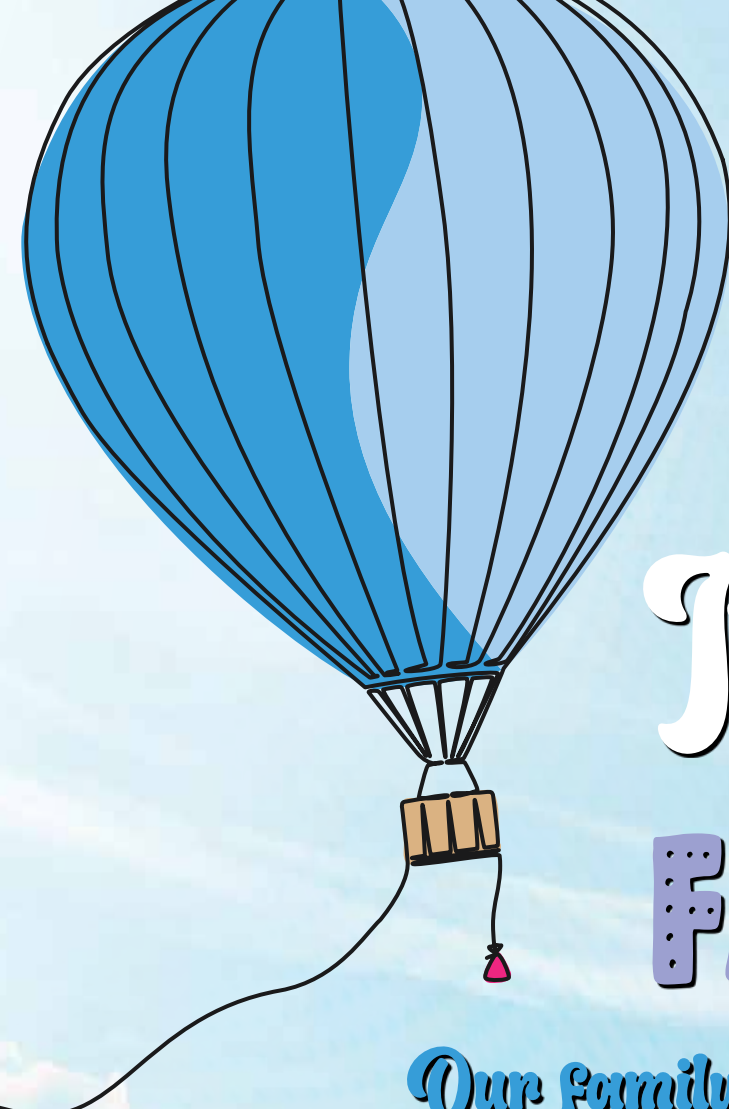
If you could meet a celebrity, who would it be? Dude Perfect

If you could make a new law/rule for the world, what would it be?

Always be kind to others.

If someone were to make a movie about your life, it would be called...

The Girl Who Changed the World



It RUNS in the FAMILY!

Happy
Family Times!



Our family

loves to host people in our home. We had an Airbnb at our house in Maui and got to host tons of families for weeks on end. My siblings and I loved welcoming everyone, making them cards, filling up our candy jars in the pantry, and showing them around Maui.

We've been able to do a lot of fun things as a family because my dad travels, speaks, and has run many businesses. One was a LEGO company that taught about the Bible to kids, another was a retreat center in Vermont that hosted groups from all over the country, and he's always doing YouTube videos or podcasts. My mom says, **"We believe our family has a mission together: to bring God's kingdom to earth as a family."**



When I grow up

I'd love to own a farm that takes care of all types of animals: horses, sheep, bees, and so many more. I love animals so much. And I think it'd be really special to have a farm where people could come to learn, but also to buy things from the farm, such as produce and honey (we used to have bees on the few acres we lived on in Maui). I know my dad and mom would help me with this because they always say that any project I want to start or any business idea I have, they'll help me, since they are good at those things.

Your parents can learn more about Kinsley's parents at jeffandalyssa.com.

We love to help families think through how to build strong family teams. We've written a handful of books and have several podcasts as well, which can all be found by searching our name.

—Jeff and Alyssa Bethke



She MEANS Business

Kidpreneurs are turning dreams into reality with their very own creative businesses and ministries. Here are some Girls Like You who have dreamed big, worked hard, and put God first on their road to success!

Nahla, 9

My friends and I are starting a club for girls called the **SC Ministry**. I know what you're thinking. What does it even mean? It stands for Sister Club Ministry. It's a club for girls who have sisters and for girls who don't have sisters. My friends and I got the idea at the park the first time we met. When we met, it felt like I had found my long-lost sisters, and we wanted to create that feeling for other girls. I'm still working on it, but we plan to have monthly events at our houses to connect and create together. I would also like to have online calls where we discuss the Bible and books we may be reading. I want to create a space where girls can have lifelong relationships with other girls. Maybe one day we will host bigger events in different places. Let's all keep dreaming big!



Kayley, 15



Emma, 12

We are cousins, and we started our own jewelry business! It's called **K&E Jewelry** because our names are Kayley and Emma! We recently had the opportunity to sell our products at a local kids' business fair. It was super fun, and we hope to have more opportunities in the future like this to sell our jewelry. Our handmade product line includes earrings, bracelets, Stanley cup charms, and phone charms! We both feel passionately about supporting our local SPCA, so in the future we'd like to figure out how to make donations to the SPCA a part of what we do.



Paityn, 13

I've been running different kinds of businesses for as long as I can remember. It started when I was 3 or 4 years old, going to trade shows with my daddy. I used my Crayola Maker and made different kinds of crayons in fun shapes kids love. This is how my LOVE for making and running my own business all began.

When I grow up, I want to become a **Fit-tritionist!**

You're probably wondering what that is. A FIT-tritionist combines FITNESS and NUTRITION into one word, and I want to do something with FITNESS and NUTRITION. The two words just went together, because you can't be fit if you don't eat right. I'm not saying you can't have your sweet treat once in a while, BUT I want to let people know there are healthier options that leave you feeling amazing and more PRODUCTIVE than ever.

I've always wanted to do something with food, and I've grown up gardening with my grandparents.

My family and I always ate pretty healthy, but we changed our food habits about a year and a half ago when my daddy had some health issues.

My goal for the future is to first get my personal training license, then get my food certifications. I hope to open several stores. I would love to have classes all day that offer different types of workouts for little kids, older adults, and athletes/entertainers. The classes would be specific for their age and the goals they want to accomplish. My nutrition side (which would become a food truck and restaurant called **Crawford's Cafe**) would have a kitchen and prep station to demonstrate how people could prepare their meals in advance, and to show them healthier versions of recipes they love. I would also love to write a health cookbook. I would sell powders, shakes, waffles, and other yummy healthy food options that my family and I have been making in the last year.

My training/nutrition classes would be affordable and beneficial, so that everyone possible could gain the education needed to live a healthy lifestyle. If people couldn't make my training/nutrition classes, I would have a YouTube channel to showcase different tips, workouts, and recipes.

My slogan: Food that fuels **My name/brand:** Paityn Joy

Lauren, 11

I started helping my parents cook and bake when I was 3 years old. I became better at it as I grew and started practicing more and more.

At the young age of 9, I started taking orders from family members and the people at my church for Cinnamon Rolls, Chocolate Espresso Cookies, Peanut Butter Chocolate Chip Cookies, and Lemon Bars. I named my business **Rolls of Love** because whenever I bake anything, no matter who eats it, I bake it with love. I really enjoy baking because I'm able to share my talent and God's love with other people! My goal is to one day be on Kids Baking Championship.

When I grow up, I hope that my business expands and I'm able to sell more things and be able to use more fancy equipment.

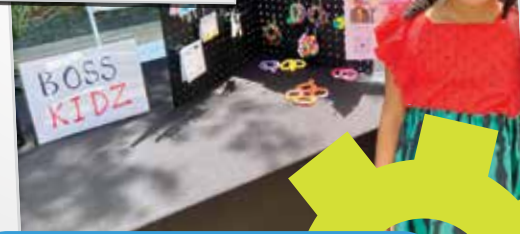
Making my first Red Velvet Cake!

My first afternoon tea charcuterie board!

My meringue for macarons!
P.S. It should be this stiff!

The name of my company is **Boss Kidz**. I created the business for my brother and me to bond together, so that we could make different things to make money and save. I make bracelets, earrings, and necklaces. I like making pretty things you can wear! I think it's fun creating crafts, and it makes me feel peaceful. Sometimes I just have good ideas out of nowhere! And sometimes I watch videos on YouTube, and I say, "I can do that myself!" Then I'll go try it!

The slogan for my company is "Inspire Each Other" because we help each other and come up with fun ideas! My dream for the future is to make more money so I can help my family and maybe buy something special one day! The most fun thing is seeing people support me. My family comes out and cheers me on! When it gets hard, my mom and family help me. And sometimes I just take a little break and then try again. My brother is good at keeping me inspired and encouraged.



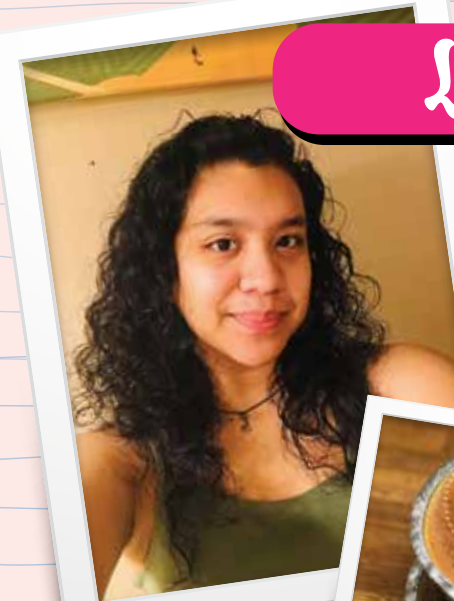
Avery, 10



Emily, 11

My idea for a business would be an organization called "**SafePlace**"—a special building for children who are homeless. I would be the designer. My job would be to raise lots of money for SafePlace and then go shopping for the kids. I would ask each child questions like: "What's your favorite color?" or "Do you have a favorite toy?" I'd use the answers to find lots of things for them. For example, if there were a boy named Justin, who was 5 years old and liked the color blue and *Paw Patrol*, I would get him a blue bedspread, some simple books, and a *Paw Patrol*-themed toy. It would be a lot of fun, while helping kids at the same time.

SafePlace would have many rooms, one for art (filled with art supplies), one for reading (filled with books), and one for playing (filled with toys)! I would try to make each kid feel safe and loved, because that's what Christians are here to do. If I had a slogan, it would be, "Every kid deserves love, a family, food, and a big bear hug!" I think it's a cute way to say that every kid who needs my help *will be helped*. Everyone deserves a place to shine and be loved, whether that means being Taylor Swift or the child who needs a home. I dream that SafePlace will become the SafePlace I imagine, and that it really will be a safe place for children who need it.



Lily, 16



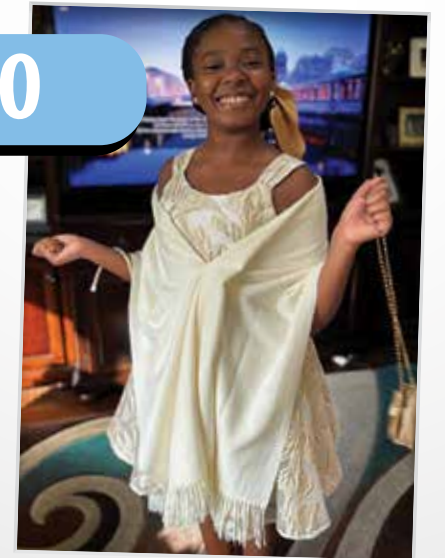
I own a small at-home bakery called **Purple Petal Pastry**. I've always loved baking since the very first day my dad taught me to make my first set of cupcakes. It's been my dream to own a bakery that not only makes delicious desserts but also takes care of the temple God has given to us, our bodies! I'm currently only selling one item for the summer, but very soon I'm going to sell cupcakes and cookies, and God willing, I will have my dream bakery—a little shop where everyone can come and enjoy delicious, healthy treats. The slogan for my company, "Faith-filled fresh goodies" shows that in every sweet treat God is right there baking with me, and every treat is fresh and healthy because God does not only tell us to take care of our temple but also our heart and soul, filling it with the Word of God. I pray that in the future I will have my bakery worldwide, spreading God's Word and healthy, delicious treats.

I am all about being a "girl boss." I'm always thinking of new business ideas—from bracelets to squishies to drinks. Recently, my friends and I came up with an idea for a slime business called **Squishy Slime Factory**.

My friend Dylan and I are the CEOs, and I'm also the art director, which means I make the flyers, the logo, and stickers that are used for advertising. When I get older, I really want to have a successful business and be able to make my own money and work on my own time. I know it will be hard and take time, but I believe that if I start now, who knows where I will be when I get older.

I even went to a few kids' business fairs where kids can create a product and then sell it at the fair. I'm planning on participating and maybe even earning some money. I am always making up inventions and gadgets, unfortunately, I don't know how to bring those creative ideas to life, but I am hoping to learn. My journey with God has been interesting. There have been ups and downs. But God has helped me discover things that I didn't know about myself. I learned that I love to draw and am slowly getting better, and I learned that I am capable of bringing some inventions to life that I've never thought of, like a DIY on-the-go balloon blower!

Alaina, 10



Besties!



Grace, 10

Ella, 16

How It Started

ELLA: We started a kids' camp this summer and are very excited about it. Our ministry is called **Bible Kids Club**. We attended a camp and were inspired by the older leaders who shared Jesus with us! We wanted to offer the same to younger kids through a camp in our own neighborhood.

GRACE: One night, I was telling my 6-year-old cousin Bible stories and he was so excited he said he wished we would tell him Bible stories all day. Then I talked with Ella, and we came up with the idea of the Bible Kids Club.

What We Are Doing

ELLA: Grace and I made a puppet, and her name is Lizzy. She will come out after the kids watch a short Bible story and ask questions to help them understand what they learned from the Bible story video.

GRACE: We are going to talk about the Bible and watch a video because I've learned that children ages 5 to 7 have an easier time understanding stories through pictures they see instead of just hearing them read. We will then have worship time, art time, snack, and then parents will come to pick up their children.

Our Dream

ELLA: We hope that people all over the world will come to know Jesus through the kids in our club, as they spread the news of Jesus to others.

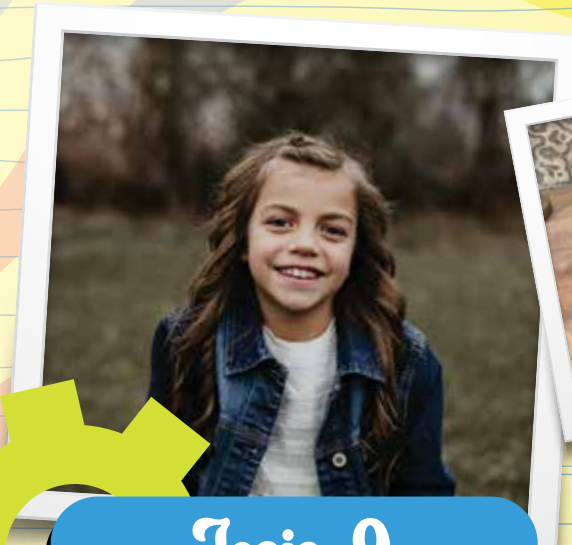
GRACE: I hope that other kids will step up and ask to help teach younger kids about the Bible.

During the summer, I like to sell lemonade and goodies at "**Elsie's Glorious Bake Sale**" in my neighborhood. I sell Rice Krispies treats, chocolate-chip cookies, and popsicles. I make the Rice Krispies and cookies from scratch with my mom. Last summer, I saved up for a guitar and I met my goal! Now I'm learning how to play it from my dad, who is a worship leader at our church.



Elsie, 12

Sisters!



Josie, 9



One of our centerpieces



This is at a craft fair



Elsie, 14

My name is Elsie Bernadette, and my sister is Josie Bernadette and I have a business named **Bernadette's Table**. We make centerpieces for your table! We named it Bernadette's Table because my Grandma Bernadette had 19 children, and she always had people at her table and was super hospitable! She passed away when I was 5 and Josie was 3 months, so we do this in memory of her.

Each summer, my sisters and I make a **lemonade stand** to earn spending money. At our last sale, we also sold friendship bracelets and cupcakes. It was a lot of fun getting ready for our sale by making the bracelets and cupcakes together. My sister Reagan helped paint the sign, and my sister Ansley stayed with me at the table to help take the orders. I like having a lemonade stand because it gives me a chance to earn my own money and have fun meeting our neighbors.



Chandler, 11

YOUR Turn!

Let this God's Girl help you begin your own **entrepreneurial adventure** with these super **start-up** ideas!



Frances, 9

I have a talent for starting small businesses. I am going to share a few of my ideas with you in case you, too, want to grow your own business. These are all businesses I have personally built and launched myself.

❁ **We've all held a lemonade stand in summertime, but if you want to stand out among the crowd, you need something to attract your customers.** Consider setting up a table next to your stand with toys you're willing to give away. Make a big sign that says "free toy with lemonade purchase"—this can easily draw people in and double your sales.

❁ **What about the winter?** How about a hot chocolate stand? You may have to sit outside for a long time freezing your face off, but bundle up and hopefully you'll get at least a customer or two!

❁ **How many of you have a sibling who plays sports?**

Consider throwing a bake sale at your siblings' sporting events. I once sold juice and doughnuts at my brother's soccer game and made 40 dollars! Trust me, people get hungry while they are standing around watching sports games.



❁ **You may not be old enough to babysit, but what about being a parent's helper?** For this job, you'll need to entertain toddlers or preschoolers while their parents work, cook, clean their house, or take a break nearby. Borrow an idea from the original *Babysitters Club* book series and bring along a "kid kit" full of activities and toys for hours of fun.

❁ **Maybe you don't want to leave your house but want to make a little money.** Consider using your bedroom as your next business location—start a salon or beauty shop and charge your family for hairstyles or makeup. Plan a magic show or a play and charge for tickets. Throw a fashion show or party and collect money at your door! Just remember to keep your prices low (50 cents or a dollar) so younger siblings can afford to join.

❁ **Some businesses can be launched to support the community.** My friends and I have started a bracelet-making business to support Mary Bridge Children's Hospital, which helps sick and injured kids. It's a great way to give back like Jesus asks us to!

REMEMBER: Every business needs a plan. What materials do you need? Who are your customers? What is your sales pitch? And most importantly, do you have your parents' support and approval?

Use your imagination and your next business—or charity fundraiser—can go from dream to reality with a little creativity and hard work.



Brainstorm ideas for YOUR business here.





COURAGEOUS girls

WITH TERRA MATTSON

DEAR
TERRA,

Have you ever started
your own business, and how
did you decide what to do?

Curious,
Sophie, 12

COURAGEOUS GIRLS SAY YES!

Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen.

EPHESIANS 3:20-21

I'm so glad you asked! My story is about

taking small steps in trusting God with my gifts and talents and watching Him create something I could have never imagined. When I was a young girl, I loved listening to people's stories. I had a heart that wanted to help others grow in their relationship with God and one another, especially when they were hurting. But I didn't know yet that God would use that tender heart to help me build two things I deeply care about: our counseling organization, called *Living Wholehearted*, and a global community helping moms raise confident girls like you, called *Courageous Girls*.

Starting Living Wholehearted wasn't easy. I was nervous, but I kept reminding myself that God doesn't call us to do everything perfectly—He calls us to be **courageous**. He asks us to say "yes" to Him, and He will take care of the rest. I knew that helping people heal their hearts, minds, and souls, learning to have healthy relationships within their families, and teaching them more about what God says is good was worth the risk. Today, Living Wholehearted has a team of 12 counselors, four coaches, and we write books, do a podcast, and so much more.

Later, God nudged my heart again. This time, it was a dream to help more moms and daughters grow stronger in their identity in Christ—emotionally, spiritually, and mentally. *Courageous Girls* started with my own two girls and our small group of friends. As I began, I could see more clearly what God could be up to—a way for more moms and daughters to grow in healthy relationships with God, themselves, and others. They could learn to use their voice, do hard things, know they are loved, and learn how to love others well.

Being an entrepreneur takes courage. It means saying yes to the dreams God places on your heart, even if you don't have all the answers or know exactly where it will all go. It means making mistakes and learning from them as you go. It means working hard, asking for help from those you trust, and remembering that your voice matters.

So, sweet girl, if you have an idea, a dream, or a passion bubbling inside of you, don't ignore it. Talk to God about it. Pray about it. Talk to your mom, your mentor, or your Courageous Girls group. You never know what He might do through you!

I AM CHEERING YOU ON! Terra



Terra Mattson is a counselor, author and founder of **Courageous Girls**. To learn more about starting a Courageous Girls group with your mom (or caretaker), check out mycourageousgirls.com or read the book, *Courageous: Being Daughters Rooted in Grace*.

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TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS

You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands;
you shall be happy, and it shall be well with you.

PSALM 128:2

LOCKED AND LEARNING!

Troop TX0465 overlapped a Troop lock-in event at their Charter Organization (a church) with the end of their girls' Entrepreneurship Badge. The girls worked in teams and hosted booths, each dedicated to their mock business, which provided a good or a service. The lock-in had a "business fair" time, during which girls could browse and visit one another's booths.

Popular booths included face painting, pastries, cookies and baked goods, and interactive craft booths. The Troop



Jordyn and Olivia opened their Heart Toys and Games business for their booth at the fair!

volunteers devised a system of mock money—called "**AHGbucks**"—where girls could "purchase" products from one another to support their businesses. The girls had a great interactive learning experience and showcased their creativity and ability to collaborate together!



THE ENTREPRENEURSHIP BADGE

Determination and imagination are the driving forces behind many of the businesses you see each day. Learning to apply basic business principles and following a careful plan of action can lead to many new and successful businesses.

Proverbs 31 gives us a great example of a determined woman using her talents and business skills to bless her family and community.

Troop TX0465 had a fun evening together and a chance to earn their Entrepreneurship Badges with their "mock" fair. Maybe you're ready to do the real thing! Join a neighborhood craft sale with your homemade jewelry or hair ties or whatever you love to make. Or set up a lemonade stand at an outdoor church event to refresh visitors and grow your business! The sky is the limit!



Looking for a community of faith, service, and lots of fun—of girls just like you? With your parents' help, go to americanheritagegirls.org/find-a-troop/ to get connected. We think you'll love who you find!



BUILDING YOUR DREAM

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving."

COLOSSIANS 3:23-24

The word entrepreneur comes from the French word *"entreprendre,"* meaning "to undertake" or "to do something."

Entrepreneurs are often very creative and easily come up with new inventions, products, services, or businesses that help people fulfill their needs. Entrepreneurship involves taking well-thought-out chances, finding and creating opportunities, and even building businesses from the ground up.

I got to see this through the life of my Grandpa Mike.

After working in construction for many years, he started his own general store, gas station, and auto repair shop. He lived in an area that didn't have any of those things, and he thought, "What if I started a service station where people could fill up on fuel, get their cars fixed, tires changed, and purchase general items like canned goods, picnic items, fresh sandwiches, sodas and snacks?"

He saw a need, made note of the skills he already had, and created a complete list of what he needed to learn and what money he needed to save to start building his dream. He also made a list of the things he could build on his own, since he had construction and carpentry skills and saved money by building much of what he could have purchased. (This is another creative part of an entrepreneurial person. They find solutions to save money and time.)

Here's how he used his entrepreneurial skills to build his dream!

1. He saw a service that was needed and didn't yet exist.
2. He mapped out a plan with dates for the goals he wanted to reach.
3. He disciplined himself to save money.
4. He used his skills as a carpenter and in construction to build the things he could, so his money would go further.
5. He let people in his immediate circle know his opening date for the gas station, auto repair shop, and general store, which built excitement in his community about his new endeavor. (That's how people did marketing before social media!)

In all he did, he prayed. Every single day, he prayed for guidance, and he listened to God's voice before he committed his time, talents, or treasures. He worked with excellence as the verse Colossians 3:23-24 says we should do.

Do you like to create things, and have you thought of ways to earn money from your creativity, like hosting a lemonade stand, delivering newspapers in your neighborhood, or helping with yardwork for your family or people in your community?

Whatever ideas you have, I always recommend we bring them to Jesus and ask for His guidance. All creativity comes from Him, and you can trust that He will guide your every step.



THE STEM + ENTREPRENEURSHIP EXPERIMENT

Solve a Problem and Sell Your Solution

As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

1 PETER 4:10

So many amazing ideas come from inventors! In our summer challenge, we want you to investigate whether you can create a working cooler made from everyday materials to keep a popsicle from melting. Then, you'll take on the role of a young entrepreneur and pitch your cooler as a product.

BUILD AND MARKET YOUR OWN MINI POPSICLE COOLER!

You'll Need

- * Small cardboard boxes (shoebox size)
- * Aluminum foil
- * Plastic wrap
- * Foam pieces or bubble wrap
- * Cotton balls or fabric scraps
- * Tape and scissors
- * Timer/clock
- * Popsicles (or ice cubes in small baggies to test to see if it works)
- * Thermometers (optional)
- * Paper and markers for branding/posters



The Stem Activity

1. The Challenge: You're an inventor creating a portable popsicle cooler for kids on hot days! Your mission is to keep a popsicle cold for as long as possible using only recycled materials you have at home.



2. Design and Build: Create your cooler. What materials will best insulate the cold popsicle, keeping the heat out? Sketch your idea before you build it.

3. Test: Place the popsicle (or ice cube) inside and start the timer. Check every five to 10

minutes to observe melting. Measure how long it stays solid or how slowly it melts compared to others.



4. Make Improvements:

Usually, inventors have to test several prototypes before settling on the final product. Can you try to make an even better cooler and test it again?

The Entrepreneur Steps

5. Marketing: Create a brand name and logo. Design a poster or pitch slide: Why should people buy your cooler? Include:

- * Features (e.g., lightweight, eco-friendly)
- * Target customer (e.g., kids at the beach, athletes, lunchboxes)
- * Price (talk about materials' cost plus profit!)
- * Slogan or jingle (optional fun!)

6. Pitch Presentation: Each kid or team presents their product in a *Shark Tank*-style mini pitch. Invite "judges" (teachers, parents, peers) to ask fun questions.

WHAT'S NEXT?

As you dream up ideas, remember that often inventing in a team is better than inventing alone. Why? Because God has given us gifts, abilities, and talents to minister them well in what we do.

In our family, Lydia loves to do the pitch! Public speaking is a strength of hers. Bethany is very goal-oriented and can help keep us on track, even when we get frustrated. We both love designing artwork and logos, as well as building circuits and prototypes! Some of our skills overlap, while others complement each other.

What unique skills has God given you? Tell us how you've put them to use in your "Shark Tank" experiment!

Design Your Business Logo!

God made YOU one of a kind—with special gifts, talents, and creative ideas. In fact, 1 Peter 4:10 says, "As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." When you use those gifts to help others, it brings Him glory and joy! One cool way to use your creativity is by being an entrepreneur—that means starting your own business or project that makes a difference.

Today, let's create a special part of any great business—your LOGO!

Supplies

Your Imagination, Pencil/ Paper/ Markers, Poster Board, Special Additions that work with your business brand



Maddie and Caroline share their ideas and create a logo for their new businesses. Maddie Hoops and SG Art. Maddie is selling hoop earrings and Caroline is making hearts from broken glass. To be a successful entrepreneur, you need to have a brand identity.



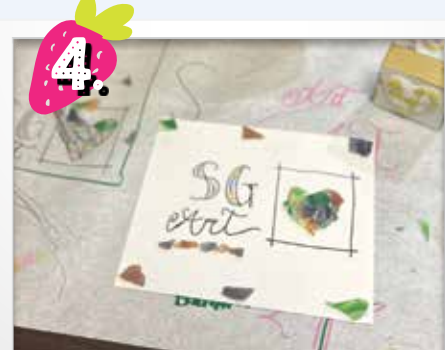
1. Name Your Business. Ask yourself these questions: What do I love to create, make, or do? Who do I want to help? What makes my idea special?



2. Design tiny "thumbnail" drawings of what your logo might look like. A thumbnail is a small, quick sketch to help you brainstorm ideas. Tips: Include symbols that match your business (a cupcake, a flower, a heart, etc.). Try drawing your business name in different letter styles (bold, curly, fun!). Maybe use the Initials of your company in different fonts.



3. Pick Your Colors!



God made you creative for a reason.

Every sticker, brushstroke, or business idea you come up with can shine His light. Whether you're selling something or simply sharing your talents, you're serving others and honoring God.

So go ahead, design with joy, lead with love, and create something beautiful for His glory!

Make a business sign. Now it's time to create your official sign with your logo, business name, and colors! Use markers, stickers, paint, glitter—whatever makes it YOU!

Use a piece of cardboard or poster board. Add a Bible verse like 1 Peter 4:10 to show who you're doing it for.

Now you have your own business logo and sign to hang on your wall or table at a craft fair!

It is Your BUSINESS!

Have fun discovering your Girl Boss business name and then creating your own dream version of what your business could be!

Birth Month

January
February
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June
July
August
September
October
November
December

1st Word

Sparkly
Cozy
Bright
Sunny
Twinkle
Bold
Sweet
Clever
Happy
Dreamy
Shiny
Fierce

Favorite Color

Red
Orange
Yellow
Green
Blue
Purple
Pink
Black
White
Other

2nd Word

Cherry
Citrus
Lemon
Mint
Ocean
Lavender
Cupcake
Galaxy
Snowflake
Confetti

Last Digit of your Birth Day

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3rd Word

Boutique
Studio
Shop
Lab
Den
Co.
Market
Club
Corner
Emporium

MY BUSINESS IS. . .

SPOT THE Difference

FUN AND GAMES

These kidpreneurs are making big moves with their business. Can you find the 7 differences between the two pictures?



SPOT THE DIFFERENCE ANSWERS: pitchers switched, lemon and lime slices on awning switched, yellow straw, purple shoes, girls hair tie, banner on front of stand, cookie color change



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